Steps to Contain Operations of People's War Groups

167. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government to contain the operations of and liquidate the people's war groups' operating in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Andhra Pradesh;

(b) how may PWG men have been apprehended and their hide-outs unearthed; and

(c) if not, Government's assessment about the areas of operations of PWGs and the intensity of their operations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) "Public Order" and 'Police' being State subject, it is for the concerned State Governments to devise various methods and take concrete steps in this regard. At the Central level, action is taken to facilitate coordination of the anti-extremist operations of different States and to improve flow of information useful for control of terrorist/insurgency activities among the States. Further, help is being provided to the State Governments in terms of financial assistance for modernisation of police supply of improved weapons, deployment of para-military forces etc.

(b) As per available reports, since 1992, 9541 PWG extremists were arrested by the concerned State Government.

(c) PWG's influence and activity in Bihar is not discernible. The areas affected in other States include Dandakaranya region (comprising North Telengana districts, East Godawari and Visakha patnam in Andhra Pradesh), contiguous forest belts in Gadchiroli, Chandrapur, Bhandara, Nanded and Yeotmal districts of Maharastra, Bastar, Balaghat, Mandla and Rajnandgaon districts of Madhya Pradesh.

मधुबनी, बिहार में स्वयंसेवी संगठन द्वारा प्राप्त की गई वित्तीय सहायता

168. **श्री रामदेव भंडारी:** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) बिहार के मधुबनी जिला में स्वयंसेवी संगठन सामाजिक शैक्षणिक विकास केन्द्र, पथराही, झंझारपुर को विदेशी संस्थाओं द्वारा प्रदान की गई वित्तीय सहायता का अद्यतन ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) क्या गृह मंत्रालय को एफ०सी०आर०ए० के अंतर्गत इस संस्था का पंजीकरण रद्द करने के संबंध में किसी संसद सदस्य का पत्र प्राप्त हुआ है;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने इस संगठन के पंजीकरण को रद्द करने हेतु कोई कार्यवाही की है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (प्रो० एम कामसन): (क) वर्ष 1994-95 के दौरान सामाजिक शैक्षणिक विकास केन्द्र पथराही, झंझारपुर, मधुबनी, बिहार ने 10,50,800 रुपये की वित्तीय सहायता प्राप्त की।

(ख) जी नहीं, श्रीमान।

(ग) और (घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Increase in Import Bill of the Petroleum Products

169. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the import bill of petroleum products in the last three years and how does that compare with import bill for 1995-96;

(b) the reasons for the increase in the import bill;

(c) the steps taken to contain the rise in import bill;

(d) the production of crude oil in the last three years, year-wise and how does